

### **REMARKS**

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated January 18, 2007 in which the Examiner rejected claims 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) and stated that claims 1-3 are allowed.

As indicated above, rejected claims 4 and 5 have been canceled without prejudice. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection to claims 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) no longer applies.

Thus it now appears that the application is in condition for reconsideration and allowance. Reconsideration and allowance at an early date are respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

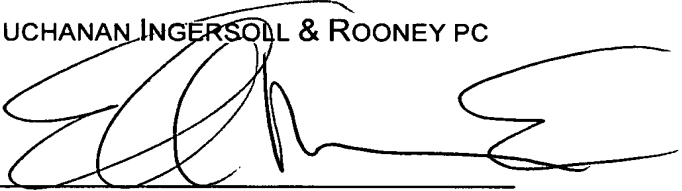
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Respectfully submitted,

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